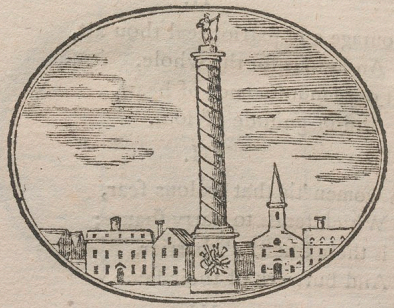

HYMN XXXI.

IMMORTALITY.

I.

"BE of good cheer, for I, ev'n I,
"Have overcome the world:"
The wind and tide are yours -- apply
Your oars with ſails unfurl'd.

Sure

II.

Sure Immortality was known
To few, but very few,
Before I came, the corner-ſtone,
To build my work anew.

III.

But now ye know it in your hearts,
Ye hear it with your ears;
Not by dark viſions, or by ſtarts,
Its evidence appears.

IV.

Sheep, bleſſed ſheep, ye ſhall be brought
To pleaſures how divine!
To joys ſurpaſſing human thought,
And ſuch as equal mine.

V.

How brilliant paſt conceit each ſtar
Shall ſhine before the Lamb:
'Tis bliſs to know not what ye are,
By knowing what I AM.

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